

Open Space & Recreation Plan

Action Item Status Report: Calendar Year 2022

Action Items Assigned to Planning Board

Report the current status of each action item for which your agency is the lead.

Ongoing items: Status is "No Action" if no activity this year, otherwise "Ongoing" with Remarks noting what was accomplished this year.

Other items: Status is "No Action", "In Progress", "Partially Completed", or "Completed" with Remarks noting what was accomplished this year.

Priority	Timing	Action	Status	Remarks	Objective	Partners
H	Short	1.2-C	Completed	Subdivision Rules & Regulations updated in 2021 for consistency with stormwater regulations.	Manage, protect and improve public access to water resources vital for the sustainability of the community	Conservation
H	Short	2.1-A	No Action	Amend Grafton Subdivision Rules and Regulations so that they require the retention of open space for wildlife corridors on all parcels located between or adjacent to open space.	Permanently protect those Town owned open space resources necessary for provision of recreation opportunities and/or preservation of natural/visual/cultural/historic resources	
H	Short	5.3-C	No Action	Amend flexible development rules in Grafton Subdivision Rules and Regulations to require developers to clearly and permanently mark open spaces in subdivisions through the installation of signage or other permanent method.	Work with boards, organizations and other entities in the Town of Grafton to coordinate conservation efforts	Conservation
H	Medium	2.4-A	In Progress	Strengthen low impact development (LID) requirement language in town bylaws.	MS4 compliance work, in progress, includes identification of opportunities for strengthening LID in bylaw and regulations.	Conservation
H	Medium	3.1-A	In Progress	Work with Town officials to update the Town of Grafton master plan.	Master Plan update initiated in 2022	Select Board
M	Ongoing	1.2-B	No Action	Review and update water supply protection overlay district at regular intervals.	Manage, protect and improve public access to water resources vital for the sustainability of the community	
M	Medium	2.4-B	No Action	Implement recommendations of the BRVHC's Natural Resources Inventory and Assessment. BRVHC's Natural Resources Inventory and Assessment recommendations can be found at mmend.1:1df. mmend.1:1df.	Protect land resources vital for the community	Conservation
M	Medium	3.2-A	No Action	Ensure Grafton's design guidelines reflect most up-to-date recommendations of the BVHC, Historic Commission and other local/regional organizations.	Encourage the use of both Grafton's, the BHC Inc.'s and Historic Commission's design guidelines	
M	Medium	3.3-A	No Action	Explore Zoning Bylaw Amendments and other land use policies and programs that encourage the preservation of the character of Grafton's historic districts.	Encourage the continuation of Grafton's historic patterns of development where they are discernible	Historical Commission
L	Ongoing	2.4-C	No Action	Maintain partnerships with key open space protection allies such as OCR, Trust for Public Lands, the Blackstone Heritage Corridor, Inc., Grafton Land Trust and Sudbury Valley Trustees.	Protect land resources vital for the community	Conservation, Select Board

L	Long	5.3-A	Evaluate Transfer of Development Rights for possible adoption.	No Action		Work with boards, organizations and other entities in the Town of Grafton to coordinate conservation efforts	Ag Commission, Conservation
L	Long	6.3-A	Cooperate with the development of the Worcester to Providence bikeway.	No Action		Work with neighboring communities to create inter-municipal connections	Select Board
L	Long	6.3-C	Work with neighboring communities to develop trail, bikeway and other connections between communities.	No Action		Work with neighboring communities to create inter-municipal connections	Conservation